

AN EXTRA SESSION.

Many of our state exchanges are clamorous for an extra session of the legislature, to appropriate money to make a Florida exhibit at the approaching New Orleans Exposition. We are free to say that we think the active movers for the extra session have miscalculated the authority of the legislature to make such an expenditure. The state constitution, while not very clear in some particulars, is wonderfully clear on this point, and while we are not prepared at this time to combat this call with plain facts and figures, we are already apprised that the proceeding will be unwise and impolitic. It must be borne in mind that our state is lamentably off in many things that are almost necessities and this spasm of generous intent to go some hundreds of miles away from our borders to make a fruit and vegetable show at the expense of the tax payers is inconsistent even if the money could be lawfully drawn from the public vaults to meet the expense. If we look about us we can see a hundred ways in which the public moneys could be spent to more substantial advantage than on this ephemeral junket. We need a decent state's capital, in place of the old rookery at Tallahassee. We need to have our state's educational institutions better fostered and more thoroughly equipped, and an increase in their number. We need greater appropriations for our public school system. We need, indeed, a new constitutional convention, made up of honest, practical and capable men to reframe and revamp the present one in force. This will cost money—all these improvements will cost the tax payers, and as they must come quickly we see no reason for the present scheme of scattering our means in advance. We should like to see Florida accredited at New Orleans with just such an exhibit as she is capable of making, but as her means are limited she would do wisely and command respect by contenting herself at home.

THE NEXT CAMPAIGN.

Our friends throughout the state have about ceased urging sectional candidates on the next democratic convention. This is as it should be. Even the best of them would be beaten by such violent partisanship. Our next governor must be a democrat sound and conservative, with patriotism confined to no section; with a record unimpeachable; one capable of gallant leadership in a hardly contested campaign. The party is committed at the mouth of its most trusted leaders to the policy and necessity of a constitutional convention, and here the would-be leaders will have ample space for display of the qualities required in the candidate of the democracy. The people of Florida need a cool, skillful head; they want no buncombe and no bloody shirt business; neither do they want milk and water leadership. The issues before us must be met openly and clearly discussed. We have plenty of good timber out of which to make what we want, but unwise advocacy of a man's claims by his immediate friends may wreck his political fortunes. Wherever he may come from, our leader must not leap into the saddle on any sectional issue. The next convention will meet to nominate our candidates. We want no cut and dried programme.

OUR CITY.

We have the prettiest city in Florida; we have crowds of visitors from every land and clime, we have the best landlords in the state, we have the best business men, the most enterprising and large-hearted, but we suffer little things to hide our good qualities to the careless eye. Our public virtues are hidden to all but the observing strangers, our faults lie patent and thrust themselves always on the public gaze. Our police are inefficient and our streets are so filled with old boxes and straw that our orange trees only emphasize the contrast. We know our present council has done much, we know that the forthcoming report will give our citizens a clear perception for the first time of our city's finances, but so little would do so much that we must urge somebody to do something for the good name and fair repute of the Gem City of the finest state in the South.

ABROAD.

Instead of a partial shower our old mother England finds herself in a perfect storm. To distract attention from home troubles in Ireland she sought glory and plunder in Egypt, thinking both would be easily won as long ago in India. To save her people from financial loss she mixed deeper and deeper in the affairs of that country till she now finds herself in serious danger of loss in reputation as well as purse. El Mahdi is steadily gaining ground and the poor old lady now has her nerves still further agitated by a mysterious dynamite explosion at the Victoria depot in London. If this thing goes on she will have one of her nervous headaches and want to go to bed.

CONGRESSIONAL.

The republicans in congress are fighting bitterly the pension bill for the benefit of the veterans of the Mexican war, seemingly for no reason except that most of it would go south. This shows how much real sympathy they have for the old soldier.

The outrage mill is slowly grinding out its usual yarns, and all expectations are being fully realized. If this kind of work would ever lead up to any practical result, we should cry "go ahead," but it is at least suspicious that it should always commence on the eve of a national election.

Between Keifer and Boynton it is simply a question of which is to be credited. Each sticks resolutely to his statement that the other is a knave and a liar. We move that the investigation be adjourned to a cheaper theater.

Some men are hard to discourage. Judge Foraker, whom Hoadley defeated, has just made a speech in advocacy of Senator Sherman for president.

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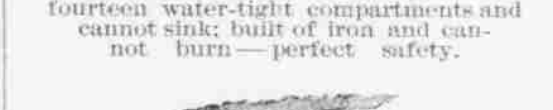
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